

Paleontology Workshop for Field Office Paleo Coordinators
May 18-20, 2004
Tentative Agenda

May 18

- 8:00 – 8:30 Introductions, Logistical Details, and BLM Paleo News.
Dale Hanson, Paleontologist, WY BLM, Mike O'Neill, Paleontologist, WO BLM
- 8:30 – 10:00 Tour of Collections, Reprint Library, Computer Facilities, including discussions of issues relating to BLM's curation responsibilities and management options.
Mike Cassiliano, Collections Manager, UW
- 10:00 – 10:15 Break
- 10:15 – Noon Museum Tour, including discussions of display considerations for Federal fossils and public education.
Brent Breithaupt, Director of the Geological Museum, UW
- Noon – 1:30 Lunch
- 1:30 – 3:00 Hands-on fossil study, WY geology and stratigraphy introduction.
- 3:00 – 3:15 Break
- 3:15 – 5:00 Use of GIS/Remote Sensing/Satellite and Aerial Photography/??? in paleontological resource management.
Neffra Matthews, NCS – BLM

May 19

- All Day Field Trip
- Como Bluff - discuss the historic significance of this area
 - Sheep Creek area - conduct training in locality identification, assessment, and evaluation.
 - Bone Cabin Quarry - discuss a working quarry operation and related management issues.
 - Other stops as time permits may include marine invertebrate locality, 'House of Bones,' and town of Medicine Bow, where the University of Denver may be establishing a geology research center.

May 20

- 8:00 – 10:00 Hands-on introduction to fossil preparation work, including large bone prep, plaster jacketing basics, matrix picking, and related techniques.
- 10:00 – 10:15 Break
- 10:30 – Noon Discussions of BLM paleo management issues, including:
- Inclusion of paleo management in RMPs
 - Progress of paleo locality GIS database
 - Educational opportunities for schools
 - Others?
- Close out